



St Mary of the Cross Catholic Parish

EMBODYING CHRIST'S LOVE

Parish Vision Statement:

*We are a faith community who gather to praise and worship God.
We express Christ's presence among us by reaching out to those in need
with Christ's message of love and forgiveness and the promise of justice and hope for all.*

18th Ordinary Sunday – 1st August 2021

Our readings are: **Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15; EPHESIANS 4:17, 20-24 1; JOHN 6: 24-35**

PARISH CHURCHES:

**St Brigid's,
520 Main St, Mordialloc
& St Louis de Montfort's,
37 Dolphin St, Aspendale**

PARISH PRIEST:

Fr Andrew Jekot

PARISH CO-ORDINATOR:

**Ann Fitzgerald
Tuesday, Wednesday &
Friday**

PARISH HOUSE:

9412 8432

PARISH OFFICE:

9580 7981

**Parish Office Hours:
9am-4.30pm**

Tuesday-Friday

Please note the change!

**The office is NO longer
open on a Monday**

PARISH EMAIL:

**[mordiallocaspendale
@cam.org.au](mailto:mordiallocaspendale@cam.org.au)**

PARISH WEBSITE:

**[www.melbcatholic.org/
mordialloc-aspendale](http://www.melbcatholic.org/mordialloc-aspendale)**



Our appetites for food and drink, for affection and companionship, for the truth about the Big Picture of our life journey, need to be satisfied or we disintegrate in various ways.

Our Lord Jesus Christ proclaims in today's Gospel that He is the total satisfaction of our deepest human appetites: 'I am the Bread from Heaven which gives life to the world.'

We could take a moment to pray for faith to recognise that the bread brought up at the Offertory is truly transformed: no longer short-term food like manna in the desert, but 'the Bread of Life', the Real Presence of the One who nourishes our humanity, indeed who gives Life *to the world*.

Appetites are good things. Sometimes in Catholic history they have been regarded as something to be suppressed, but actually they tell us what we need as human beings.

Our appetite for food and drink is a good thing and must be satisfied or our bodies will collapse through malnutrition.

Our appetite for affection and acceptance is a good thing and must be satisfied or we disintegrate socially. If we are fortunate, we will find companionship which satisfies that appetite.

The universal appetite for knowing where we are in the Big Picture of the universe is a good thing.

All these appetites, bodily, social and spiritual, need to be satisfied if we are to be fully human.

Our Lord Jesus Christ proclaims in today's Gospel that he is the satisfaction of our deepest human appetites.

Jesus says: 'I am not like the manna which ordinarily perishes overnight. I am not like the manna of the ancient Jewish people given to them alone. I am the Bread from Heaven which gives life to the world.'

We Catholic Christians make another profound act of faith at our Mass today.

The bread which is brought up at the Offertory: 'fruit of the earth and work of human hands', after invoking the Holy Spirit and speaking the words of consecration, is no longer short term food like the manna in the desert. It becomes for *us* the Bread of Life.

So at every Mass, let us celebrate that we are in the Real Presence of the One who gives life *to the world*.

Carmel Stutterd



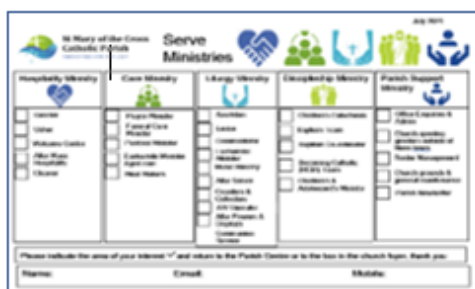
Opening the Doors to Christ's Love

Our Parish Mission: Love God, Love Others, Make Disciples

Our Parish Renewal presentations were all post-recorded and can be accessed at our parish website www.melbocatholic.org/mordiallocaspendale. Soon work will begin on assessing the 5 Foundations for healthy, parish growth essential for a missionary culture – Discipleship, Worship, Evangelisation, Service and Community. From these assessments actions and plans will be identified to take our parish forward into new areas of growing wider – welcoming those outside in, growing deeper in our faith and discipleship and creating an exceptional weekend experience.

Whilst these assessments take place, I encourage every member of our parish to be a part of our parish mission by serving in one of our 5 parish ministries – Hospitality, Care, Discipleship, Parish Support and Liturgical.

Please pick up a copy of our Serve Booklet which gives a short description of each of the roles available under each ministry area. It is available in the church foyers and on our parish website.



The sign-up sheet is a table with five columns representing different ministries: Hospitality, Care, Discipleship, Parish Support, and Liturgical. Each column lists various roles and has checkboxes for individuals to indicate their interest. At the bottom, there is a section for 'Please indicate the area of your interest' and a line for 'Name'.

Sign-up sheet

Soon, I will be announcing meetings for each of the Serve Ministries to describe the roles in more detail. All are welcome, no role is too big or too small, so please register your interest on the sign-up sheet included in the Serve booklet. It is also available in the church foyers and on our parish website.

Know the joy of being used by God according to the gifts he has given each and every one of us and see what our Lord can do through you.

Fr Andrew



Serve Booklet

Thankyou to Susan Dornom

I would like to thank Susan for her dedication and commitment to her role as parish secretary for the last 11 years. We will continue to see Susan around as a parishioner as she is part of this community and is involved in parish life. Mucho Gracias!!

Fr. Andrew



St Mary of the Cross Prayer Group extends a warm invitation to all parishioners to join them on this **Saturday 7th August at 4.30pm at St Louis' Church** for prayers including the Rosary and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. All welcome.

The Prayer Group will be including in their prayers all the petitions that have been placed in the St Mary of the Cross Petition Boxes.



CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal

Next weekend is the CatholicCare Appeal. CatholicCare delivers counselling and mental health services, specialised support for children and teens, refugee and asylum seeker help, support for separating families, homelessness support and pastoral care. The collection will be next weekend or online at www.catholiccarevic.org.au or call (03) 9287 5513. All gifts of \$2 and above are tax deductible

National Vocations Awareness Week 1st to 8th August 2021:



Vocations come from families, communities and parishes. Strong families and communities are the place where vocations are first nurtured. In this National Vocations Awareness Week, let us pray for all families in our parish, and for those preparing for marriage. Let us also pray that our parish community may always be welcoming and encouraging of vocations to marriage, priesthood and consecrated life.

Child Safety: Our Parish is committed to the care, wellbeing and protection of children, and vulnerable people in our community.



We acknowledge the original owners of the land on which we gather and their leaders - past, present and emerging.



Parish News:

Refugee Support: JAG has decided to help support a Refugee family being supported by BASP (Brigidine Asylum Seekers Project) who has recently moved into the area. Initially it will be with a \$200 donation.

For more information contact **Sandy 0412 057 177**.

JAG Letter Writing Group: meets monthly with Sr Reba on the last Wednesday of each month to write letters to Govt MPs advocating compassionate policies for refugees and victims of human trafficking. There will be no get together this month because of the uncertainty of restrictions. Anyone who would like to help by writing letters at home or would like more info can contact **Sr Reba 9580 0151**.



Scripture & Friendship Group: meet on **2nd & 4th Tuesday** of each month and their next gathering is this week on **Tuesday 10th August 10am - 11.30am** and because of the current restrictions it will be **via Zoom**. [Click link here](#) All welcome.

Contact: **Ann Brennan 0425 712 741** or **Carmel Barker 0425 773 608**.

Mary is arriving soon!!! *I was hoping that Mary would be in place by this weekend but I have been reassured that she will be in place by the **8th August, our parish feast day**.* A blessing after each mass will complete this process that has been years in the planning. I think that you will agree with me that these images will enhance our worship spaces as we embrace St. Mary of the Cross with St. Brigid and St. Louis'. Fr. Andrew



*The **Weeding Warriors** are getting together up at St. Brigid's church on **Monday 2 August at 9am** followed by morning tea. All welcome to help prepare our site for the upcoming blessing.*

Luncheon: The next Longbeach Parishes Luncheon will be on the second Wednesday of the month - **11th August at the Seaford RSL at 12:30pm**.

Ring Pat Adams 0448 866 020 or Keith Reiter 0417 350 733 to make a bookings.



Next Week's Roster:

19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: 7 th and 8 th August 2021: READERS - please see Father before Mass			
Our readings are: 1st KINGS 17: 8-16; COLOSSIANS 4:1-13; Matthew 6:25-34			
6PM MASS	Reader Jenny Ferguson Commentator Ann Brennan Special Minister Marie Medlicott Welcomers: Carmel Barker, Adrienne Kennedy	8AM MASS	Reader Joan Healy Commentator Sr Deidre Malone Special Minister Stephen Pooley Welcomers: Angela Meo, Paula Wence Rodrigues
9.30AM MASS	Reader Lisa Tuke Commentator Niko Tovia Special Minister Mary Nayna Welcomers: Rosemary Miller, Maureen Wraight	11AM MASS	Reader Dianne Wain Commentator Nola Petraitis Special Minister Peter Wain Welcomers: Christine & Les D'Cruze
Counters: Joe Corda, Nelson Popley, Debra Joseph			



PLEASE NOTE All volunteers must have a current Working With Children Check and should have read and signed a copy of our Child Safety Code of Conduct. Copies are available at the Church or on our website. For any concerns about Child Safety issues please contact our Child Safeguarding

Team listed below:



Fr Andrew Jekot 9412 8432	Susan Dornom 0413 979 049	
Trish Angliss 0421 604 849	Louise Breslin 0415 963 799	Judy Dickinson 0407 865 522
Joanne Partleton 0413 133 184	Deb Poynton 0403 471 931	Robyn Worsnop 0412 814 592

18th Ordinary Sunday:

Recently Deceased:

Emilio Vintaloro (St Brigid's)



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Anniversaries:

Brian Reiter, Marianna Costantino, Maria Di Trocchio, Ted Headland, Dawn Musster, Taylor Sutton, Ivan Trbusic, Angelo Vieceli, Fr Frank McGauley, Rene O'Connor, Airina Coutinho, Julio Muzlera, Kerrin White, Daniel Murray, Melissa Thorne, Antonio Meneghin, Kathleen O'Brien, Jim O'Donnell, Loris Wilson, John Ahern, Myrna Bamba, Colin Forrest, Gaetono Iacono, Maureen Noonan, Vivienne Ryan, Winifred Turner, Mick Sullivan, Vito Troisi, Helen Gauci, Joseph Gauci, Macaria Gutierrez, Patricia Kerr, Mervat Marton, Helga Rabich, Mary Sutherland, Thereza Vaz, Dorothy Williams and Jean Joseph Sin Mew Cheung,

Healing Prayers Asked For: Jarrod Le Brocq, Peter Waltho, Antonio Delprete, Lindsey Edwards, Laura Bruder, Liam Campbell, Patricia Carrazzo, David Marshall, Helen Pedrazzini, Peter Spencer, George Caruana, Salvatore (Sam) Finocchiaro, Lilah Finocchiaro, Bernadette Munro, Maureen Hepburn. *(If you know of anyone who needs prayers or a pastoral visit please contact the Parish Office.)*



Baptisms: There is a Baptism Service at St Brigid's on this Sunday. We welcome in to our Parish family: **Jaxon Hugon, Matilda Murphy, Marshall and Madden Devereaux.**



Wedding Anniversary: Congratulations to **Geraldine & Dennis Fernandez** who are celebrating their 40th wedding anniversary with a special blessing at 6pm Mass on this Saturday 7th August.

Parish Masses:

*****MASSES ARE BACK ON*****

Due to the easing of restrictions we are now able to hold Masses but numbers are restricted. This week the numbers permitted has increased so 100 people can attend so booking is preferred for a guaranteed spot. (See below) It is hoped that there will be further easing of restrictions soon to allow even more to attend Mass.

WEEKEND MASS BOOKINGS: Book online at

<https://www.trybooking.com/BMGLK> or contact the Parish Office 9580 7981. There is no need to book for any of the weekday Masses as it is unlikely we will exceed our limit.

Live Streaming of Masses: Our Parish is now live streaming our weekend Masses To view the 6pm Mass at St Louis' click [here](#) or for 8am Mass at St Brigid's click [here](#) or to our website www.melbcatholic.org/mordialloc-aspendale or search You Tube for Catholic Mass with Fr Andrew.

PARISH MASS TIMES:

WEEKENDS: *(QR Coding essential)*

Saturday:

6pm (vigil) St Louis', Aspendale

Sunday:

8am - St Brigid's, Mordialloc

9.30am - St Louis', Aspendale

11am - St Brigid's, Mordialloc

WEEKDAYS: *(QR Coding essential)*

Monday (Communion Service)

9.15am - St Louis',

Tuesday 9.15am - St Louis',

Wednesday 10am - St Brigid's,

Thursday 9.15am - St Louis'

Friday 11.30am - St Brigid's

RECONCILIATION:

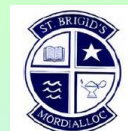
Friday 12noon - St Brigid's,

Saturday 5.30pm - St Louis'

BAPTISM BOOKINGS
through Parish Office
9580 7981

PARISH SCHOOLS:

St Brigid's School,
129 Albert St,
Mordialloc
9580 4518

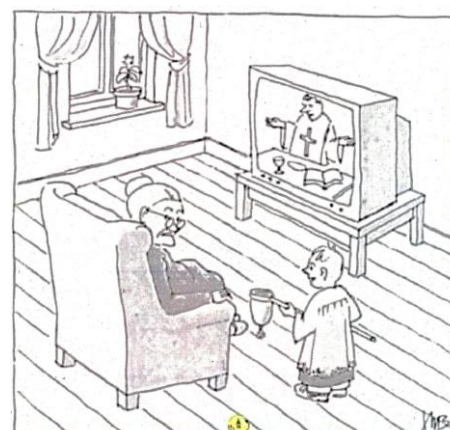


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